



## **Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission March 3, 2015**

**Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission held on March 3, 2015 6:30 p.m., at the Tempe, Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Tempe, Arizona.**

**MEMBERS Present:** Alexis Blanc, Sunday Callaway, Tiffanie Cappello Lee, Sophia Gonzalez, Chris Moffitt, Andrea Lara-Garcia, Zaria Guignard, Aemelia Morris, Julia Rasmussen, Maria Ornelas, Ellie Young, and Franklin Zyriek.

**MEMBERS Absent:** Daniel Bish, Victoria Bennett, Gabriel Edwards, Jason George, Smita Gopalakrishnan, Nicholas Hargis, Timur Karamanov, Andie Niebling, Jaren Savage, J.D. Scribner, and Carson Streiff.

**City Staff Present:** Lily Villa.

**Guests Present:** None.

### **Agenda Item 1 – Call Meeting To Order/Introductions**

**Tiffanie Cappello-Lee, MYAC Chair** called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

### **Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of the Meeting Minutes: February 17, 2015**

**Maria, MYAC Vice Chair** read the minutes from the February 17, 2015 meeting.

**Motion: Zaria Guignard, Youth Town Hall Chair** motioned to approve the minutes.

**Second: Aemelia Morris** seconded the motion.

**Decision:** Minutes were approved.

### **Agenda Item 3 – Treasurer's Report**

**Franklin Zyriek** provided the Treasurer's Report.

### **Agenda Item 4 – Announcements**

**Lily Villa, MYAC Advisor** asked the MYAC members if they would be willing to form a 2015 MYAC Retreat/Training planning committee. **Tiffanie** passed around a sign-up sheet and 10 members expressed interest so **Lily** will follow-up with the interested members to determine a committee meeting date via e-mail.

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**Agenda Item 5 – YouthFest Tempe Top Teens and Courage Awards Recognition**

**Tiffanie** passed around a YouthFest Tempe Top Teens and Courage Awards dinner RSVP sheet to determine the MYAC members who would definitely be able to attend the April 6th dinner.

**Agenda Item 6 – Mayor Mitchell/MYAC Partnership Ideas**

**Tiffanie** reminded the MYAC members of an e-mail she sent them last week regarding their thoughts on the ways that Mayor Mitchell can best support and partner with MYAC. The group agreed that they would be willing to provide the Mayor with a quarterly report outlining their accomplishments throughout the year. The members also expressed the following ideas for what the Mayor could do:

- 1) Provide the MYAC members with letters of recommendation.
- 2) Visit the MYAC members during their community service projects.
- 3) Write a letter of support to the Tempe high school and middle school principals in support of the C.I.T.Y. project.
- 4) Provide opportunities for internships in the Mayor's office.

**Agenda Item 7 – 2015 Community Service Project Planning**

**Ellie Young, Community Service Project Chair** reviewed the group's community service project ideas from the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and the group determined that they would like to volunteer with MY Fest, go to MY Fest planning meetings, and continue to work with the MY Life group members to develop a project or event which will benefit youth in foster care and/or youth who experience mental health challenges.

- **Lily** will provide transportation to and from MY Fest and MY Life meetings and she will coordinate this effort with Greg Dicharry, MY Life Advisor.
- **Lily** also passed around a sign-up sheet to determine which MYAC members would be available to attend the March 18<sup>th</sup> MY Fest planning meeting.
- If MY Life is unwilling to work with MYAC to develop a project or event, MYAC will conduct "Reading Rox" with Kid Zone as a back-up community service project.

**Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items**

- **YouthFest Tempe Top Teens & Courage Awards**
- **2016 Youth Town Hall Topic Survey**
- **2015 Community Service Project Planning**

The Commission's next meeting will be **March 17, 2015**.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.**

Prepared by: Maria Ornelas, MYAC Vice Chair

Reviewed by: Kim Bauman and Lily Villa

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Tiffanie Cappello-Lee, Youth Town Hall Chair  
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